

9. ITOBA, ag thou enjdyest both
 heaven and
 earth, investing the universe with thy
 magnitude
 thou hast blown away the robber with
 the prayers
 which are repeated on- behalf of those
 who do not
 comprehend them.^a

10. When the waters descended not
 upon' the
 ends of the earth₉ and overspread not
 that giver of
 affluence with its productions, then
 INDEA₅ the
 showerer, grasped his bolt,, and, .with its
 brightness,
 . milked out the waters from the darkness.
 Varga in. 11. The waters flowed, to provide
 the food of
 INDEA; but (YKITKA) increased, in. the midst of
 the
 navigable (rivers): then IOT>RA, .with his fatal
 dnd
 powerful shaft, slew YBITRA, whose thoughts
 were
 ever turned towards him.

12!, INDBA set free (the waters)
 obstructed by
 (YBITRA), when sleeping in the caverns of
 the earth,
 and slew the horned dryer up (of the
 world).* Thou,

^a This passage Is rather obscure, owing to the
 vague purport
 of the preposition *abM*; *amanyamdndn- abM*
manyamdndnair *Iraji-*
malUh, " with prayers to be understood over
 those not under-
 standing;" that is, according to the Scholiast,
 those *yajamdndnas*,
 or institutes of sacrifices, who merely repeat
 the *manftas* without
 understanding their meaning, are, nevertheless,

to. he protected hy,
or are to reap the benefit of, those *mantras* ;
and with *mantras*, or
prayers of this description, *Indra* is to be
animated, or empowered
to blow away or scatter the followers of *Yritra*,
clouds and dark-
ness. Sosen renders, the expression,
carmin^us respicientilm
- *eos, quikymnorum tuorum semum vel*
nongerspiciunt", M. Langlois
has (*excitt*) *contre cez m&cr&ants par nos chants*
*respectueux**

^b *Sfanginam * iwMam*. The first, literally,
having horns, the
Scholiast explains "furnished with weapons
like the horns of bulls